

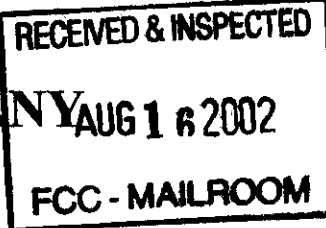
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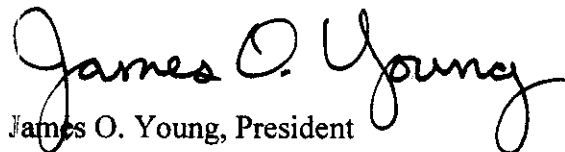
To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter as formal notification to both the FCC and USAC, in accordance with 47 CFR Section 35.605©(2) and the above referenced docket that Cherokee Telephone Company is eligible to receive Safety Net Additive Support ("SNA"). The eligibility of SNA is in accordance with requirements set forth in 47 CFR Section 36.605©(1) and in conjunction to the recently submitted annual Universal Service Fund High-Cost Loop Data Collection form 02-1.

If there are any questions or concerns about eligibility, please direct inquiries to Charles Curtis at (252) 514-2203, at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

CHEROKEE TELEPHONE COMPANY


James O. Young, President

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ATTACHMENT: Data Collection Form 02-1

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SECTION I: COMPANY INFORMATION

Study Area Code: 431979
 Study Area Name: Cherokee Telephone Company
 USF Data Period: 02-1

Contact Name: Lori Noe
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 NECA Region: 4

Data Line	Description	Enter 2001	Enter 2002	Variance 96 - 95	Percent Inc/(Dec)	Data Source
		Amount Year-End 12/31/2000 (2001 Amount)	Amount Year-End 12/31/2001 (2002 Amount)			
SECTION II: WORKING LOOPS						
60	Total Loops	5470	5,457	-13	-0.24%	C/R
70	Category 1-3 Loops	5429	5,413	-16	-0.29%	C/R
SECTION III: INVESTMENT, EXPENSES, & TAXES						
160	Account 2001 - Telephone Plant In Service	18,732,322	21,783,246	3,050,924	16.29%	G/L
170	Account 1220 - Materials & Supplies	52,770	55,153	2,383	4.52%	G/L
190	Account 3100 - Accumulated Depreciation	7,773,245	8,608,005	834,760	10.74%	G/L
195	Account 3400 - Accumulated Amort. Intang.	0	0	0		G/L
210	Account 4340 - Net Noncurrent Def. Op. Taxes	0	0	0		G/L
220	Net Plant Investment	11,011,847	13,230,393	2,218,546	20.15%	G/L
230	Account 2210 - COE Switching	4,251,519	4,280,915	29,396	0.69%	G/L
235	Account 2220 - COE Operator	0	0	0		G/L
240	Account 2230 - COE Transmission	1,697,912	2,269,087	571,175	33.64%	G/L
245	Total Central Office Equipment	5,949,431	6,550,002	600,571	10.09%	G/L
250	Circuit Equipment - Category 4-13	625,952	1,817,653	1,191,701	190.38%	G/L
255	Account 2410 - Cable & Wire Facilities	10,954,516	13,399,660	2,445,144	22.32%	G/L
260	Account 3100 (2210) - Dep. Res. COE Switching	1,714,718	1,753,096	38,378	2.24%	G/L
265	Account 3100 (2220) - Dep. Res. COE Operator	0	0	0		G/L
270	Account 3100 (2230) - Dep. Res. COE Transm.	338,773	597,623	258,850	76.41%	G/L
275	Account 3100 (2210-2230) - COE Total	2,053,491	2,350,719	297,228	14.47%	G/L
280	Account 3100 (2410) - Dep. Res. C&WF	4,472,004	4,941,405	469,401	10.50%	G/L
310	Account 4340 (2210) - Def. Tax COE Sw.	0	0	0		G/L
315	Account 4340 (2220) - Def. Tax COE Op.	0	0	0		G/L
320	Account 4340 (2230) - Def. Tax COE Trans.	0	0	0		G/L
325	Account 4340 (2210-2230) - Total COE	0	0	0		G/L
330	Account 4340 (2410) - Def. Tax C&WF	0	0	0		G/L
335	Account 6110 - Network Support - Total	63,826	62,201	-1,625	-2.55%	G/L
340	Account 6110 - Benefits	0	0	0		G/L
345	Account 6110 - Rents	0	0	0		G/L
350	Account 6120 - General Support - Total	73,942	59,882	-14,060	-19.02%	G/L
355	Account 6120 - Benefits	0	0	0		G/L
360	Account 6120 - Rents	0	0	0		G/L

710	Cost Study Average C&WF - Category 13	8,549,365	10,670,994	2,121,629	24.82%	G/L
700	Cost Study Average C&WF - Account 2410	11,010,351	14,200,623	3,190,272	28.98%	G/L
SECTION IV: PART 36 COST STUDY DATA						
650	Account 7200 - Operating Taxes	123,533	0	-123,533	-100.00%	G/L
610	Rents Portion Of All Operating Expenses	16,771	19,019	2,248	13.41%	G/L
600	Benefits Portion of All Operating Expense	127,963	145,118	17,155	13.41%	G/L
<div>Cap for Corporate Expenses Actual Corporate Expenses 600,000 610,603 600,000 692,511 600,000 0</div> <div>Less than 6,000 Between 6,001 and 18,006 (over 18,006) 0 0 0 0</div> <div>Corporate Operations Algorithm (36.621a(4)) 0 0 0 0 0 0</div> <div>Corporate Expenses for USF 600,000 610,603 600,000 692,511 600,000 0</div>						
565	Total Corporate Operations Expenses	610,603	692,511	81,908	13.41%	G/L
555	Account 6720 - G&A - Benefits Portion	12,081	14,519	2,438	20.18%	G/L
550	Account 6720 - G&A	239,086	287,341	48,255	20.18%	G/L
540	Account 6710 - Benefits Portion	30,188	32,923	2,735	9.06%	G/L
535	Account 6710 - Executive & Planning	371,517	405,171	33,654	9.06%	G/L
530	Account 6560 (2410)	395,401	692,197	296,796	75.06%	G/L
525	Account 6560 (2210-2230)	539,729	622,808	83,079	15.39%	G/L
520	Account 6560 (2230)	151,358	213,329	61,971	40.94%	G/L
515	Account 6560 (2220)	0	0	0		G/L
510	Account 6560 (2210)	388,371	409,479	21,108	5.44%	G/L
455	Account 6530 - Network Operations - Benefits	24,147	26,916	2,769	11.47%	G/L
450	Account 6530 - Network Operations - Total	252,497	281,454	28,957	11.47%	G/L
445	Total Plant Specific Expenses	574,056	623,614	49,558	8.63%	G/L
440	Account 6410 - Rents	16,771	20,419	3,648	21.75%	G/L
435	Account 6410 - Benefits	32,288	39,311	7,023	21.75%	G/L
430	Account 6410 - Total	211,572	257,590	46,018	21.75%	G/L
410	Account 6210 - 6230 - Totals	224,716	243,941	19,225	8.56%	G/L
405	Account 6230 - Rents	0	0	0		G/L
400	Account 6230 - Benefits	1,427	797	-630	-44.16%	G/L
395	Account 6230 - Total	6,527	3,645	-2,882	-44.16%	G/L
390	Account 6220 - Rents	0	0	0		G/L
385	Account 6220 - Benefits	0	0	0		G/L
380	Account 6220 - Total	0	0	0		G/L
375	Account 6210 - Rents	0	0	0		G/L
370	Account 6210 - Benefits	27,832	30,652	2,820	10.13%	G/L
365	Account 6210 - Total	218,189	240,296	22,107	10.13%	G/L

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SECTION V: AMORTIZABLE TANGIBLE ASSETS						
800	Account 2680 - Tangible	6,852	4,293	-2,559	-37.35%	G/L
805	Account 2680 (2230) - Total	0	447	447	#DIV/0!	G/L
810	Account 2680 (2230) - Category 4.13	0	358	358	#DIV/0!	G/L
815	Account 2680 (2410) - Total	0	2,640	2,640	#DIV/0!	G/L
820	Account 2680 (2410) - Category 1.3	0	1,984	1,984	#DIV/0!	G/L
830	Account 6560 (2680) - Dep. Amort. Tangibles	2,807	0	-2,807	-100.00%	G/L

SECTION VI: COMMENTS/SIGNIFICANT CHANGE EXPLANATION

C/R = Data provided directly from client.

G/L = Data taken from client general ledger for period ending 12/31/00.

C/S = Data taken from 4th quarter, 2000 cost study.